

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

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1. (Previously Amended) An image sensing apparatus comprising:

a driving device that moves an image sensing optical system to image sensing and non image sensing regions; and

a determination device that judges whether said image sensing apparatus is at least in an image sensing state, or in an external control state in which said apparatus is controlled by an external controller unit, said determination device determining an operation of said driving device in accordance with a judgment result of said determination device.

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2. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

in a case where said determination device judges that said image sensing apparatus is in the external control state, said determination device causes said driving device to drive said image sensing optical system to the image sensing region.

3. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

said determination device causes said driving device to drive said image sensing optical system to the image sensing region in response to a reception of an image sensing signal from the external controller unit, in a case where said determination device determines that said image sensing apparatus is in the external control state.

4. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 3, wherein

said determination device causes said driving device to drive said image sensing optical system to the non image sensing region, in response to a completion of an image sensing operation of said apparatus.

5. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 3, wherein

said determination device comprises a timer for causing said driving device to drive said image sensing optical system to the non image sensing region, a predetermined time period after a completion of an image sensing operation of said apparatus.

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6. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 5, wherein

in a case where the image sensing signal is input again from the external controller unit during the predetermined time period, said determination device prevents said driving device from driving said image sensing optical system to the non image sensing region, after the predetermined time period elapses.

7. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said determination device positions said image sensing optical system in the non image sensing region, in a case where said determination device judges that said apparatus is in the external control state.

8. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

said determination device prevents said driving device from driving said image sensing optical system to the image sensing region, in a case where said determination device judges that said apparatus is in the external control state.

9. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein  
in a case where said determination device judges that said apparatus is in the external control state, said determination device causes said driving device to drive said image sensing optical system to the image sensing region in response to a completion of an image sensing operation of said apparatus.

10. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein  
said determination device comprises a timer for causing said driving device to drive said image sensing optical system to the non image sensing region a predetermined time period after a completion of an image sensing operation of said apparatus, in a case where said determination device judges that said apparatus has been set in the external control state.

11. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 10, wherein  
in a case where an image sensing signal is input again from the external controller unit during the predetermined time period, said determination device prevents said driving device from driving said image sensing optical system to the non image sensing region after the predetermined time period elapses.

12. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein  
in a case where said determination device judges that said apparatus is in a  
reproduction state, said determination device positions said image sensing optical system in  
the non image sensing region.

13. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:  
an operation device that selectively sets said apparatus into at least either one of the  
image sensing and external control states, said operation device being provided on an exterior  
of said image sensing device.

14. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:  
a signal processing device that converts, in a case where said apparatus is in the image  
sensing states, an optical image formed by the optical system, into an electrical signal for  
photography.

15. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the non image sensing  
region includes a position where said optical system is stored.

16. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the non image sensing  
region includes a predetermined position where the optical system is collapsed in a body of  
said image sensing 15 apparatus.

17. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said determination device judges a state controlled by an external computer as the external control state.

18. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said driving device includes a motor.

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19. (Previously Amended) A camera comprising:  
a driving device that moves a photographing optical system to photographing and non photographing regions; and

a determination device that judges whether said camera is at least in a photographing state, or in an external control state in which said camera is controlled by an external controller unit, said determination device determining an operation of said driving device in accordance with a judgment result of said determination device.

20. (Previously Amended) An image sensing apparatus comprising:  
a driving device that moves an image sensing optical system in extending and retracting directions; and

a determination device that judges whether said image sensing apparatus is at least in an image sensing state, or in an external control state in which said apparatus is controlled by an external controller unit, said determination device determining an operation of said driving device in accordance with a judgment result of said determination device.

21. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 20, wherein  
in a case where said determination device judges that said image sensing apparatus is  
in the external control state, said determination device causes said driving device to drive said  
image sensing optical system in the extending direction.

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22. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 20, wherein  
said determination device causes said driving device to drive said image sensing optical  
system in the extending direction in response to a reception of an image sensing signal from  
the external controller unit, in a case where said determination device determines that said  
image sensing apparatus is in the external control state.

23. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 22, wherein  
said determination device causes said driving device to drive said image sensing  
optical system in the retracting direction, in response to a completion of an image sensing  
operation of said apparatus.

24. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 22, wherein  
said determination device comprises a timer for causing said driving device to drive  
said image sensing optical system in the retracting direction, a predetermined time period  
after a completion of an image sensing operation of said apparatus.

25. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 24, wherein

in a case where the image sensing signal is input again from the external controller unit during the predetermined time period, said determination device prevents said driving device from driving said image sensing optical system in the retracting direction, after the predetermined time period elapses.

26. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 20, wherein said determination device prevents said driving device from driving said image sensing optical system in the extending direction, in a case where said determination device judges that said apparatus is in the external control state.

27. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 20, wherein in a case where said determination device judges that said apparatus is in the external control state, said determination device causes said driving device to drive said image sensing optical system in the retracting direction in response to a completion of an image sensing operation of said apparatus.

28. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 20, wherein said determination device comprises a timer for causing said driving device to drive said image sensing optical system in the retracting direction a predetermined time period after a completion of an image sensing operation of said apparatus, in a case where said determination device judges that said apparatus has been in the external control state.

29. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 28, wherein  
in a case where an image sensing signal is input again from the external controller unit  
during the predetermined time period, said determination device prevents said driving device  
from driving said image sensing optical system in the retracting direction after the  
predetermined time period elapses.

30. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 20, wherein  
in a case where said determination device determines that said apparatus is set in a  
reproduction mode, said determination device prevents said driving device from driving said  
image sensing optical system in from the retracting extending direction.

31. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 20, further comprising:  
an operation device that selectively sets said apparatus into at least either one of the  
image sensing and external control states, said operation device being provided on an exterior  
of said image sensing device.

32. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 20, further comprising:  
a signal processing device that converts, in a case where said apparatus is in the image  
sensing state, an optical image formed by the optical system, into an electrical signal for  
photography.

33. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 20, wherein



said determination device determines a state controlled by an external computer as the external control state.

34. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 20, wherein said driving device includes a motor.

35. (Previously Amended) A camera comprising:  
a driving device that moves a photographing optical system in extending and retracting directions; and  
a determination device that judges whether said camera is at least in a photographing state, or in an external control state in which said camera is controlled by an external controller unit, said determination device determining an operation of said driving device in accordance with a judgment result of said determination device.

36. (Previously Amended) An image sensing apparatus comprising:  
a driving device that moves an image sensing optical system in image sensing and non image sensing regions; and  
a determination device that judges whether said image sensing apparatus is at least in an image sensing state, or in an image reproduction state, said determination device determining an operation of said driving device in accordance with a judgment result of said determination device.

37. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 36, wherein said determination device positions said image sensing optical system in the non image sensing region, in a case where said determination device judges that said apparatus is in the image reproduction state.

38. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 37, wherein in a case where said determination device judges that said image sensing apparatus is in the image sensing state, said determination device causes said driving device to drive said image sensing optical system in the image sensing region.

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39. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 36, wherein in a case where said determination device judges that said image sensing apparatus is in the image reproduction state, said determination device prevents said driving device from driving said image sensing optical system in the image sensing region.

40. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 39, wherein in a case where said determination device judges that said image sensing apparatus is in the image sensing state, said determination device causes said driving device to drive said image sensing optical system in the image sensing region.

41. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 36, wherein the non image sensing region includes a position where said optical system is stored.

42. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 36, wherein the non image sensing region includes a predetermined position where the optical system is collapsed in a body of said image sensing apparatus.

43. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 36, wherein said driving device includes a motor.

44. (Previously Amended) A camera comprising:  
a driving device that moves a photographing optical system to photographing and non photographing regions; and  
a determination device that judges whether said camera is at least in photographing state, or in an image reproduction state, said determination device determining an operation of said driving device in accordance with a judgment result of said determination device.

45. (Previously Amended) An image sensing apparatus comprising:  
a driving device that moves an image sensing optical system in extending and retracting directions; and  
a determination device judging whether said image sensing apparatus is at least in an image sensing state, or in an image reproduction state, said determination device determining an operation of said driving device in accordance with a judgment result of said determination device.

46. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 45, wherein  
in a case where said determination device judges that said image sensing apparatus is  
in the image reproduction state, said determination device prevents said driving device driving  
said image sensing optical system in the extending direction.

47. (Previously Amended) An apparatus according to claim 46, wherein  
said determination device causes said driving device to drive said image sensing  
optical system in the extending direction, in a case where said determination device  
determines that said image sensing apparatus is in the image sensing state.

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48. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 45, wherein said driving device  
includes a motor.

49. (Previously Amended) A camera comprising:  
a driving device that moves a photographing optical system in extending and  
retracting directions; and  
a determination device that judges whether said camera is at least in a photographing  
state, or in an image reproduction state, said determination device determining an operation of  
said driving device in accordance with a judgment result of said determination device.

50. (Previously Added) A control method for an image sensing apparatus  
comprising:

a first step for judging whether an image sensing apparatus is at least in an image sensing state or in an external control state in which said image sensing apparatus is controlled by an external controller unit,

a second step for determining an operation of a driving device to drive an image sensing optical system to an image sensing optical system to image sensing and non image sensing regions in accordance with a judgment result of said first step.

51. (Previously Added) A control method for an image sensing apparatus comprising:

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a first step for judging whether an image sensing apparatus is at least in an image sensing state or in an external control state in which said image sensing apparatus is controlled by an external controller unit,

a second step for determining an operation of a driving device to drive an image sensing optical system in extending and retracting directions in accordance with a judgment result of said first step.

52. (Previously Added) A control method for an image sensing apparatus comprising:

a first step for judging whether an image sensing apparatus is at least in an image sensing state or in an image reproduction state,

a second step for determining an operation of a driving device to drive an image sensing optical system to an image sensing optical system to image sensing and non image sensing regions in accordance with a judgment result of said first step.

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a first step for judging whether an image sensing apparatus is at least in an image sensing state or in an image reproduction state,

a second step for determining an operation of a driving device to drive an image sensing optical system in extending and retracting directions in accordance with a judgment result of said first step.

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